

Special This Week.
Odd lot celebrated Redfern
Corsets that sold at
\$4 to \$6. Choice... **75c**

ALBERT HAMPE

Special selling this week of Platt
Val, Galleons and Chantilly Laces
and Insertings, real values 20c to
25c. On sale at
per yard... **10c**

August 4 to 9 will be Bargain Week at Hampe's. Nothing but Bargains.

Bargains in Linens

for 50-inch Cream Linen Damask that is considered cheap at 30c.
19c
for 60-inch Cream Linen Damask, real value 45c.
29c
for 60-inch Cream Linen Damask that is cheap at 65c.
49c
for 62-inch Cream Linen Damask, real value 75c.
65c
58-inch Bleached Damask, worth 40c.
25c
for 65-inch Bleached Linen Damask, real value 60c.
49c
for 66-inch Bleached Linen Damask, a good 75c value.
65c
for 72-inch Bleached Satin Damask, considered cheap at 90c.
75c

Bargains in Towels

for Brown Turkish Towels, extra large, a good 15c value.
9c
for Fringed Linen Damask Towels, colored borders, size 16x36, a splendid 15c value.
10c
for Hemmed Linen Huck Towels, size 19x34, a good 20c value.
15c
for Fringed Linen Huck Towels, colored borders, size 43x20, real value 25c.
20c

Bargains in Imported Bobbinet Bars

80-inch imported Bobbinet Bars, fine mesh, full yardage, at **2.25**
90-inch imported Bobbinet Bars, fine mesh, full yardage, at **3.25**
96-inch imported Bobbinet Bars, fine mesh, full yardage, at **3.50**
108-inch imported Bobbinet Bars, fine mesh, full yardage, at **3.75**
120-inch imported Bobbinet Bars, fine mesh, full yardage, at **4.25**
Climax Canopy Top Bars, with brass rod frames and all attachments, value 1.50, at **1.25**
Better grade Climax Canopy Top Bars, with brass rod frame and all attachments, that are worth 1.95, at **1.50**

Bargains in Ready-to-Wear Goods

Shirt Waists at 25c each

Ladies' Colored Shirt Waists, made of good quality madras, percale and lawn and sold up to 75c and 1.00.
25c

At 59c each

Ladies' Colored Shirt Waists, made of best quality madras, percale and lawn, and that formerly sold at 1.25, 1.50 and 1.75.
59c

Covert Wash Skirts

Choice 69c for Ladies' Covert Wash Skirts, nicely trimmed with four rows of white braid, former selling price 1.00.
69c

Choice 1.29

for Ladies' Covert Wash Skirts, in blue and gray, nicely trimmed, that formerly sold at 2.00 and 2.25.
1.29

Children's Colored Dresses at 59c each

Any Child's Colored Lawn, Percale or Tulle No. 1 Dress, nicely trimmed, and that sold at 1.35 to 2.50.
59c

Children's White Dresses at 1.49

Children's White Lawn Dresses, nicely trimmed, that formerly sold at 1.95 to 2.50.
1.49

At 2.95

Children's White Lawn and Swiss Dresses, nicely trimmed, former prices 4.25 to 5.75.
2.95

Bargains in Laces and Embroideries

2000 yards Stylish Laces, different kinds, 2 to 4 inches wide, only **5c**
2500 yards Stylish Laces, many different kinds, 2 to 6 inches wide, only **10c**
All our 5c and 6c Embroideries have been reduced to **3c**
All our 7c and 8 1/2c Embroideries have been reduced to **5c**
All our 10c and 12 1/2c Embroideries have been reduced to **7c**
All our 15c and 18c Embroideries have been reduced to **10c**
All our 20c and 25c Embroideries have been reduced to **15c**

Bargains in Notions

600 cakes Mexican Root Soaps, the 10c kind **5c**
5000 McCall Paper Patterns, regular price 10c and 15c, at only **5c**
Large line of Ladies' Hemstitched Lace Handkerchiefs, real value 10c, at **5c**
Entire line of Bradley's Sachet Powders, real value 15c per package, at **7c**
Bailey's Rexoleum Vaseline, best made, at only **5c**
150 Pearl Handle Pens, the 25c kind **10c**
Large line of Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, real value 15c, at **10c**
Odd lot Children's Ribbed Hose, real value 25c to 40c values, at **15c**
Ladies' Side Combs, with turquoise settings, the 25c kind; choice **15c**
Ladies' Tucking Combs, the 35c kind **19c**
Large line of Ladies' Fancy Ribbed Vests, with V-shape, silk lace yoke, the 30c kind; special **19c**
Ladies' Black Lisle Lace Hose, value 25c, at **15c**
Bradley's Tooth Powders, Smelling Salts and Sea Salts, the 25c kind; choice **19c**
Bradley's Celebrated Violet Water, Bay Rum and Florida Water, the 25c kind **19c**
Ladies' Embroidered Turn-over Collars, the 40c and 60c kind **25c**
Ladies' Lace Lisle Hose, value 30c, at **25c**
Ladies' Lisle Thread Gloves, value 50c, at **25c**

Bargains in Handkerchiefs

5c each, or 6 for 25c, for Ladies' Lace Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, value 10c each.
5c
10c each, or 3 for 25c, for Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs that are the best in the city for 15c.
10c
15c each for Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs that are good 20c and 25c values.
15c
20c each for Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs that are good 30c values.
20c

Extraordinary Corset Bargains

Choice 75c each for the following Corsets

Nothing the matter with them; all clean and in good condition; but they are odd lots, and we have determined to move them out in this fashion:

75c each for odd lots of the celebrated Redfern Corsets that sold at 4.00, 4.50, 5.00 and 6.00.
75c each for odd lots of W. B. Corsets that sold at 1.50 and 2.00.
75c each for odd lots of P. D. and J. B. Corsets that sold at 1.25 to 1.95.

Bargains in Umbrellas

49c will buy a Ladies' Steel Rod Umbrella, with Persian or fancy wood handle, and considered a good 75c value.
49c
95c for Ladies' Umbrellas, steel rod, Paragon frame, assorted fancy handles, a splendid 1.25 value.
95c
1.25 for Ladies' Gloria Umbrellas, Paragon frame, steel rod, and considered a good 1.75 value.
1.25
1.75 for Ladies' Gloria Umbrellas, steel rod, Paragon frame and pearl handles, worth all of 2.25.
1.75

Bargains in Domestic

1500 yards Soft Finish Bleached Domestic, 36-inches wide, a good 6c quality **4c**
2000 yards Best Quality Muslin, selling at 9c and 10c; special **7c**
25 pieces Bleached and Brown 10-4 Sheeting, cheap at 20c; special **14c**
25 dozen Readymade Sheets, size 81x90, an excellent 50c quality; special **39c**

Bargains in Trimmed Millinery

75c for Trimmed Hats that sold at 1.50 and 1.75.
75c
1.50 for Stylish Trimmed Hats that sold at 3.00 and 3.50.
1.50
2.00 for Stylish Trimmed Hats that sold at 4.00 to 4.50.
2.00
2.50 for Stylish Trimmed Hats that sold at 5.00 and 6.00.
2.50

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Mrs. Hutcheson in Vienna.

Vienna, Austria, July 8.—The colon of Vienna and Germany and their relative prices in American money are such simple propositions that one is apt to find the Viennese money rather puzzling at first, especially as the bankers give one kronen and the people ask to be paid in florins and kreuzer. I had been repeatedly told that I should find everything in Austria more expensive than elsewhere. You see, I was handed my first bill by an Austrian reckoning and glanced at the sum written at the bottom of the addition and that the figures were about what I had expected in Germany. I was much surprised; but the shock of discovery came quickly, for as soon as I stepped out of the bank, I found that the people still count according to the old system, which has been discarded. I had heard that the Viennese were a word about my limited experience in much needed matter of tips in Europe. I had heard that the Viennese were a word about my limited experience in much needed matter of tips in Europe. I had heard that the Viennese were a word about my limited experience in much needed matter of tips in Europe.

Enraptured With the Music and the Environment of the Great Composers. An Experience in Tips.

Roulette in Paris, and on summer nights the Viennese and their visitors flock out there by thousands to enjoy the good music as well as other things. The Viennese claim to divide the day's twenty-four hours thus: Eight hours for pleasure, eight hours for sleep and eight hours for work. I am inclined to believe that they must allow the eight hours assigned to pleasure to lap and settle on the other allotments in summer, for no matter at what hour of the night for morning I may be leaving the Prater I meet crowds still coming in through the gates as I am going out. I have heard with much pleasure Johann Strauss in his novel, "A Pilgrimage to Beethoven." The places he pictures himself as haunting with the hungry hope of getting a word from the master, the Viennese monuments to Beethoven's memory seen on almost every side in Vienna excite intellectual appreciation, of course; but two of them appealed strongly to my heart; that is, they aroused a warm personal interest of human sympathy. These are both the general musical collection of the city's museum in the Rathaus. The one is a half-size figure of Beethoven under which are cut the following lines written by Grillparzer, the brilliant and popular litterateur of Vienna, who was Schubert's close companion and close friend:

he stood with other celebrated musicians and litterati who were grouped around a piano listening to Schubert play. The face with its tense look of eager and anguished yearning to hear was so real and so pathetic—for at this time the door to that great garden of delights where one may receive the blessed beam of music through the physical ear was fast and forever closing against Beethoven. Although for long years this one of God's most glorious ministers of grace walked among men through an outer world of death-like silence he conceived and caused to be produced such music as no other mortal man has equaled. There is more than one meaning in the lines "Heard melodies are sweet, but those unheard are sweeter."

Mr. and Mrs. John N. Ely.

Corpus Christi, Texas, July 30.—Among the old pioneer landmarks of Texas who have recently been a visitor to Corpus Christi is Mrs. Fannie Warren Ely, who since 1849 has made her home in the Lone Star State. Her maiden name was Fannie Warren Grover daughter of Nathan Grover, who came to Texas in 1830, born on September 18, 1828, in Cincinnati, Ohio, and was one of a family of fourteen children. Mrs. Ely is the mother of eleven children, five of whom are still living. She left her native State in 1839 and one year later she landed at where Velasco now is. Several months later she went to Victoria with her mother and family, where she remained until 1872. In 1847 she was married to John N. Ely, who was a soldier in the Mexican war, enlisting with General Taylor's army in Corpus Christi. Mr. Ely made a gallant soldier, and at the battle of Buena Vista he was deprived of his sense of hearing by a cannon ball passing near his head. Besides this handicap, he also had his horse killed beneath him. He died at Schulenburg in 1885. Mrs. Ely relates many reminiscences of the early days in Texas and the deprivations of the Indians, who were ever ready to scalp a white skin. Although 74 years of age, Mrs. Ely yet possesses good sight and health. Her brother, George Grover, who recently died at Galveston, was the only other immediate member of her family then living. Of her eleven children the following are still alive: Mrs. Mattie May of this city, John N. Ely and Mrs. Mollie May of Yuba, G. E. Ely of Rutledge and Mrs. Emma Curo of Indianapolis, Ind. She also has twenty-four grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren alive. Mrs. Ely is now on a visit to her son in Rutledge, Texas. Mrs. Ely also has a half sister, Mrs. Belle Grover, of Victoria.



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sided in their plans of elopement by a bulky mule. Should it be regret that Pennsylvania should have the credit of producing such an animal, but it will be offset by the reflection that there are plenty of miles in Missouri that stand ready to perform the same service if corresponding circumstances should arise.

I have no doubt that the mule in question was brought to observe Mr. Moody. It should be borne in mind that a country young man who is in love invariably gives valuable tokens of his affection. Probably in passing by the barn he even heaved a sigh. There can be no doubt that the mule's delicate observation had early possessed it of the young man's secret. And when the sight was borne to his manager his susceptible breast was touched, and from that moment he was enlisted in the cause of true love.

The lovers determined to elope across the consent of the father could not be obtained. As they stood before the front gate in the early morning twilight they were seen by the mule, which at once took to the alarm. It gave a bray of recognition. Unfortunately the sound awakened the father. The old man's suspicious was aroused. He visited his daughter's room and finding that she had gone, he quickly grasped the situation. He plunged down the stairs, saddled the mule, mounted and was off in hot pursuit.

If he had been a Missourian he would have known better than to have trusted that mule under these particular circumstances. The mule never for a moment intended to overtake the fleeing lovers. But it was necessary that he should take the angry parent away from the barn, where he might have secured another mount; so he cunningly looped along at a good pace. In the brow of a hill the father and the mule saw not far ahead the lover and his lass. A swollen stream ran between the pursued and the pursuer. Again the mule took in the situation—the second time that day. He reared down the hill and plunged into the stream. And there the stream he stayed. The time had come to balk and he chose it with the unerring judgment of his despised but knowing kind.

This story ends at this point. When in pursuit of an eloping couple a mule balks, the sequel of the incident is a marriage. This story is a vindication of the intelligent and sympathetic nature of the mule, and as such is a valuable contribution to muleology.

Did One Clever Thing.

Pearson's Weekly.

The Lady-Jack, who don't you write a book, or paint a picture, or do something clever?

The Gentleman—Because I selected a millstone for a father-in-law that was clever enough to last a lifetime.